ONE CENT.

Breaking River Ice Sent to the President

for His Approval-Mr. Bryan Was In-

duced to Postpone His Knockont-Objec-

tion to the Belt Line on Third Street East.

East Washington would have a gridiron of

ome effective. Eight bills affecting street

oads were passed. Two affected incorpora-

toins and four authorized extension of lines.
In addition the bill allowing women on the

school toard, which passed the Senate last

June, was amended to increase the number

of trustees to eleven, not more than two of

whom shall be women, and was pessed, and

Chairman Heard got the reins early in the

day and did not loose his hold till 5 p. m.

He was well seconded by Mr. Bichardson

of New York, uncertainly played the part of

BETAN THREATENED A ENOCHOUS

Maryland and Pennsyrvania avenues, and

threatened a kneckout by a point

ested crowded around him and urged

ested crowded around non and urgent that it was the last day anything could be done for the District by the House, and he surrendered, saying he would see that bill again in the Senate. At his withdrawal of the point a colleague warmly shock his

nine. Mr. Bichardson gave the route granted the

TWO NEW LINES INCOMPORATED. The Capital Bailway Company and the

of no quorum. Everybody

Then Mr. Bryan, of Nebraska, stood up for

for his approval.

watchdog.

street railways if all the legislation of the

House of Regsesentatives vesterday should be-

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WILSON IS PUSHING IT

He Will Cause a Vote To-day on the Bond Resolution.

QUICK ACTION IS NECESSARY

He Has Asked for a Rule to Bring the Matter to an End After Debate - Majority Report of the Ways and Means Committee Submitted to the House-Terms of the Contract-Saving that Will Be Effected

The House will devote its attention to-day to the band resolution reported from the Ways and Means Committee, and Speaker Crisp says the House will probably reach a vote to-night.

The Committee on Rules will meet this morning and will report a rule allowing a certain number of hours for debate and fixing a time for a vote late in the afternoon. Chair man Wilson says action must be had at one in order to be effective, and he has asked the Committee on Bules for an order for a vote after the day's debate,

During the debate in the House vesterday Mr. Van Voorhis, of New York, secured the floor and introduced a resolution calling upon the Committee on Ways and Means to furnish to the House the contract of the reeent bond negotiation, and such other infor mation as the Secretary of the Treasury and communicated to the committee.

Immediately Mr. Wilson informed the House that the majority report upon the coint resolution providing for 3 per cent. gold bonds which had been favorably acted upon by the committee, would contain a copy of

The minority of the committee was granted leave to file a report against the joint reso-lution, and have it printed for use of the mem-

CHAIRMAN WILSON'S REPORT. The report which Chairman Wilson submitted inter for the majority of the Ways and Means Committee describes the resolution,

"The message of the President, which is herewith appended, communicates to the House the condition of the reserve of gold in the Treasury available for the redemption of the government's legal tender notes and the maintainance of the parity of its coin circula-tion, and the reasons which compel, at the present time, an issue of bonds to repleaish present time, an issue of bonds to repleated and maintain that reserve; also the general terms of a contract made under authority of section 3700 of the revised statutes for the putchase and delivery to the Treasury of a sum slightly in excess of 865,000,000 of gold coin to be added to the stock in the Treasury, which amounts to only \$42,217,081 at the present time.

'The committee have had the benefit of a eonferoce with the Secretary of the Treasury, who exhibited to them the original contract entered into by himself on the 8th day of February, and explained its details to them. A full and complete copy of said contract is hereto added.

THEMS OF THE BOND CONTRACT.

"From a reading of this paper it will be seen that the arrangement of the Secretary with the parties to this contract effects the purchase of 3,500,000 ounces standard gold coin zio, at least one-half of which shall be ob-tained in and shipped from Europe. For this gold coin he has contracted to issue to the partine furnishing it, under authority of the act for the resumption of specie payments ap-proved January 14, 1875, 4 per cent. thirty-years coin bonds of the United States at a price which realizes to them interest at the rate of 35 per cent.

rate of 3% per cent.
"But the Secretary of the Treasury has re-"But the Secretary of the Treasury has re-served the right, if authority be given him by Congress, to substitute at par any bonds of the United States bearing 3 per cent. in-terest, of which the principal and interest shall be specifically payable in United States gold coin of the present weight and fineness, said substitution to be made within ten days

from the date of the contract.

"It is the object of the joint resolution herewith submitted to give to the Secretary of the Treasury authority to substitute such bonds to the amount of the contract.

BATTER OF A LARGE AMOUNT. "The saving to be effected to the govern ment, as set forth in the President's messages will be \$509,159 per year for every year the 3 per cent, bonds run, and of the amount of \$16,170,770 should they run thirty years. it is not believed by the committee that the lesue of bonds specifically payable in gold will impose any additional burden of dability will impose any anditional parties of sintility upon the government than if they are made payable in coin under its pledge and policy to preserve the parity of the coins in the two menia, the saving of this large amount be-comes a matter of substantial moment and advanings to the government, and as the parties to take the bonds are under contract to lurdsh gold own for them, it seems no hardship on the government to contract to pay them have in the same coin that they

The contract was made a part of thereport, SHOWED PARTY BREAKS.

Division Among Democrats and Republi-

cans of the Ways and Means Committee.

The vote of 8 to 5 in the Ways and Means Committee yesterday on reporting the gold bond bill showed party breaks on both sides, Among the Republicans Messrs. Reed, of Maine, and Payne, of New York, were for the bill, Mr. Hopkins, of Hisnois, against it, and Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, refrained from vot-

Among the Democrats the division was even greater, Mesers, Wilson, of West Virginia; Turner, of Georgia; Tarsney, of Missouri: Montgomery, of Keniucky: Stevens, of Masaschusetts, and Cockran, of New York, voting to the affirmative; McMillin, of Tenneasee: Whiting, of Michigan: Bryan, of Ne-braska, and Wheeler, of Alabama, in the

negative.

Mr. Bynum was on the floor of the House while the vote was being taken, but did not appear to register either way. Dakell and

Gear were not present.

The vote in full is as follows: For the bill.
Wilson, Tarsney, Turner, Montgomery,
Stevens and Cockrain, Democrats; and Reed
and Payne, Republicans; 8. Against the
bill, Mckillin, Whiting, Bryan and Wheeler, emocrats; Hopkins, Republican; 5.
The minority report made by those who
oted against the bill will probably be written

Brady Will Be Tried To-day. Louis R. Brady, who was arrested by Policeman McDaniel, of the Third precinct, Tuesday evening, on suspicion of having passed a number of bogus checks on West Washington merchants, will be taken before the police court this morning. Several busi-ness men have been summoned as witnesses

New Arrival at the French Legation. PRILADELTHIA, Feb. 18.-A daughter was born to-night to the young wife of Jules Patrenotre, the French ambassador to the United States. The happy event took place at the home in this city of Mr. James Eiver-son, the father of Mms. Patrenotre, Both mother and child are doing well,



Probably Mr. Reed will not object to this

"POLY PET" HAS ARRIVED

Mammoth W. C. T. U. Petition in Five Sections.

ENCASED IN TIX-LINED BOXES

Signed in Forty Languages, A Globe Trotter -This Its First Stepping Place-To Be Draped on the Walls of Convention Hall-Miles of Mute Pleas for Temperance-Will Be Presented to Queen Victoria.

Five great tin-lined, pad-locked boxes stored away in the strong room of the Adams Express office attest the fact that the great polygiot petition, familiarily called the "Poly Pet" by the ladies of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union, which is signed in forty languages and has over 4,000,000 of signatures, has at last safely arrived at its first stopping place on its trip around the globe. The boxes reached this city yesterday afternoon and were at once sent up to the Le Fetra Hotel, where Mrs. Matilda B. Corse, the custodian of the petition, is stopping. Mrs. Carse was not in when it arrived, but had left word that it should be taken back to the express office and kept over night in case it arrived during her absence,

The petition will be removed to Convention Hall the first thing this morning, where it will be draped on the walls and ceilings of that building. Mr. George Craft, a profes-sional decorator, has been engaged to take charge of the draping of the miles upon miles of muslin, upon which the names are pasted.

THE FLAGS OF ALL NATIONS, He will make festoons of the petition, ranging them from the large arches overhead, and to heighten the artistic effect, will

head, and to heighten the artistic effect, will use the flags of all nations. The whole petition is bound along the edges with red, which relieves the plainness of the long white strips of musiin.

After "Miss Willard's 'Poly," as it is sometimes called has served its purpose here, it will be stowed away in its tin-lined boxes and, if Mrs. Carse can find a suitable freproof resting place, it will remain here until the time comes for taking it to London.

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the time comes for taking it to London,
where it is to be presented to Queen Victoria
upon the 15th of June next.

The petition arrived here before either
Lady Somerset or Miss Willard could manage
to reach town, but they are both expected
sometime this morning. Miss Willard, from
Processe, and Lady Somerset from Orange Boston, and Lady Somerset, from Orange, W. C. T. U. last night. Miss Willard and Lady Somerset will be the gnests, while in this city, of Miss Olive Risley Seward, mece of ex-Secretary Seward, at Wormley's, Mrs. Corse will transfer her constant. Mrs. Corse will transfer her quarters to the

Ebbitt House to-day so that she may be near the Woman's Council, which will make its

PIRST DAY'S PROGRAMME. Following is a programme of the first day's services, which will be held at the Metropolitan M. E. Church in the morning and afternoon and at Convention Music Hall in the

Metropolitan M. E. Church, morning ses Metropolitan M. E. Church, morning ses-sion, 10 a. m. —Address of welcome, Mrs. K. E. Griffitn; response, Mrs. Clara C. Hoffman, 10:30 a. m. —Prayer and consecration meeting, canducted by Miss Elizabeth W. Greenwood, 12 m.—Noontide prayer, Mrs. M. E. Griffith, Afternoon session, 2:30 p. m.—Devotional service, Mrs. Heien M. Barker; address, "The W. C. T. U. has attained her majority; is she worthy of citizenship?" Mrs. Margart B. Pjatt; address, Mrs. Emily L. McLaughlin; address, Mrs. Matilda B. Carse; music, Ad-

Convention Hall, evening session, 7:30 p. m. Convention Hall, evening session, 7:30 p. m.
—Grand mass-meeting; devotional exercises,
Mrs. Katharine Leate Stevenson; music,
Moody choir of 300 voices; ad iress, "Origin
of the petition," Miss Willard; address, "Its
value as an educator," Mrs. Henry L. Hunt;
solo, Miss Katherine Willard; address, "What
the petition will mean to the world," Lady
Henry Somerset; address, "Its relation to the
final victory," Mrs. Clara C. Hoffman; music,
Moody choir; benediction.

The Marine Band will furnish music at all
of the meetings.

of the meetings. COLORED CITIZENS CUT.

Daniel Hays Had a Fall-Isaih Brooks Assaulted with a Bottle,

Daniel Hays, the colored grocer, of No. 344 C street southwest, had the good luck several weeks ago of receiving \$1,000 damages from the Washington and Georgetown Street Railway Company for injuries received by being thrown from one of the cable cars. Last night Hays had a taste of misfortune by fail-ing on the ice and receiving a badly lacerated wound of the head, in which Dr. Shortlidge, of the Emergency Hospital, took nine stitches. Isaiah Brooks another colored citizen, who resides on sionros street, was also badly cut about the head, but not by falling. Isalah ran up against a gang of combatitive colored men near his home. One of them was armed with a beer bottle. Isaiah had five bad cuts

sewed up on his frontispiece at the Emergency Hospital later in the eveing.

"THEY WILL HANG ME." Harry Hayward Apparently Loses All Con

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 13.—"They are going to hang me." Such was Harry Hayward's exclamation to one of his attorneys, as the two were crossing the street from the courtroom to the county jail at the close of the day.

Counsel for the prisoner endeavored to encourage Harry and remove the impression of impending doom, which the evidence of the elder brother had created, but the effort was not successful, and the young man passed into the big stone building with an air of one who had lost hope in the attempt to regain

Literary World says: "A Senator's Crimo" is a

WORK FOR TWO HUNDRED

Central Relief Committee Provides Means for the Unemployed.

PREFERENCE TO MARRIED MEN

They Will Begin This Morning to Remove Snow Debristfrom Pennsylvania Avenue-Hope Held Out That Workmen Will Be Given a Chance to Earn Their Bread-Requests from Suburbs for Cloan Roads.

Two hundred men will go to work this morning to remove the snow debris from Penasylvania avenue. They are to be paid out of the general charity fund of the Citizens' Relief Committee, and will be under the direction of Major McKenzie, superintendent of alley and street cleaning.

This is only 25 per cent. of those who have applied for work, but the hope is held out at the office of the distributing committee that a greater number will be employed if prac-

According to the report of Treasurer Wil-kins there is about \$10,000 in the relief treas-ury. As the \$10,000 from Congress is not available for street work the distributing committee can only make use of a part of the \$10,000 of their own fund. The Courres-sional fund is to be used only for immediate relief through the organized charities.

NUMBER INCREASED TO 200, Mr. Gardner, chairman of the distributing ommittee, was informed by Supt. McKenzie yesterday morning that he could give em

ployment to 150 men, but later in the day in-creased the number to 200.

These men are expected to rendezvous this morning at 7.36 o'clock at No. 464 Louisiana avenue, police headquarters. They will there be provided with shovels and divided into gangs for their day's work.

Mr. Gardner said that the committee is expected to furnish only the men, the street department to furnish whatever else may be

scenary.
Sept. McKenzie has notified the Commis Sept. McKenzie has notified the Commissioners that, to carry out the plan of employing lathorers under the joint resolution appropriating \$10,000 for relief purposes, he has employed a general superintendent at \$3.00 per day, and eight foremen at \$2.50 each per day, to take charge of the workmen to be supplied by the board of organized charities. This has been approved by the Commissioners, the salaries to be paid out of the fund appropriated for the work. The superintendent asks to be supplied with the necessary implements.

Mr. McKenzie was also empowered to es play extra carts, to be used in the removal of snow and ice from the streets and crossings. PREFERENCE TO MARRIED MEN.

The number now employed, Mr. Gardner said, is based on the number that can be supplied by the District with working implements.

"We went over the list," he said, "and se-

"We went over the list," he said, "and selected 200, in all cases giving the preference to men with dependent families; dividing the number about equally between white and colored laborers, and as far as possible from all parts of the city."

The work of alleviating the suffering is going on with undiminished activity at all the relief centers. There were 177 cases attended to by the Associated Charities from the central office alone.

Forty-two cases, most of them new, were reported to Mr. Emery from beyond Florida avenue yesterday morning, and attention was paid to these as promptly as possible. Of the twenty-five cases reported from Pleasant Plains by Miss Agnes Bartlett on Tuesday a majority were helped yesterday.

Mr. Emery has requests from citizens in the Bennings and Anacostia vicinities praying for the clearing of the roads there. He said that he would put as many to work there as possible, and have the bills charged to the charities. The pay is to be 50 cents per day.

A donation of lifty loaves of bread for the poor of East Washington were sent to the Flith precinct police station last evening by the congregation of Trinity M. E. Church.

Vilas Offers an Administration Bill-Ef

fort to Secure a Vote Next Week. The Senate began its session yesterday with a spirited discussion of the financial question, but soon turned its attention to the post-office appropriation bill, and spent the rest of the day on the proposition to have the government own railway postal cars.

Mr. Vilas brought on the financial discussion by offering a bill granting to the Presi-dent the authority be has requested in his re-cent message for issuing 3 per cent, bonds payable in gold. Mr. Sherman offered a sub-stitute to the silver bill reported Tuesday, providing for gold bonds and temporary gold

The two Colorado Senators, Mr. Teller and Mr. Wolcott, called attention to the fact that the syndicate of bankers which had secured control of these bonds were now marketing them is London at 11234, making a net profit

them in London at 1125, making a net profit of 8 per cent, at the outset.

The debate brought out frequent references to the contract between the Treasury Department and the bankers, and as a result Mr. Aldrich offered a resolution calling on the President for a copy of the contract. It was agreed to take the vote on the pending amendments as to the railway postal service at Society today. at 3 o'clock to-day.

The Senate agreed to the House resolution extending the time for making returns on the

income to April 15 next.

A movement was set on foot in the Senate A movement was set on foot in the Senate yesterday to secure a vote on the financial question in the Senate next week. The plan as proposed is to devote Monday and Tuesday to debate on the question and to obtain unanimous consent to taking a vote at the close of the day Tuesday. A large number of Senators have been seen by those interesting themselves in the movement, but the most that can be said is that the proposition has met with considerable favor. There is some hesitation on the part of the managers of the appropriation bills to give the necesof the appropriation bills to give the neces sary time to the debate, and there are several Senators who have not been seen, some of whom may object. If the scheme succeeds the proceedings will be on the basis of the Jones unrestricted coinage bill, with votes on it after the various amendments and substi-

tutes shall have been passed upon.

The substitute for the Jones unrestricted coinage bill, reported from the Finance Com-mittee yesterday, which Senator Sherman yesterday proposed, is in most respects a copy of the bill introduced by him on the 17th

It is changed, however, so as to permit the issuance of 3 per cent, gold bonds, payable in five years, for the purpose solely of maintaining the gold reserve, and not to meet current

ing the gold reserve, and not to meet current deficiencies as in the original bill.

The certificates of indebtedness, authorized by the original bill, are confined to the meeting of the Treasury deficiency "now existing or which may hereafter occur." They are to be made payable in lawful money of the United States, and the amount to be issued is left to the discretion of the Secretary. left to the discretion of the Secretary. No limitation of time is fixed upon the certificates.

B'Nat B'Rith Adjourns.

ATLANTA, GA., Feb. 13.—After two ses-sions, morning and evening, both devoted to routine business, the grand lodge B'Nai B'Rith, of the Fifth district, adjourned sine die this afternoon, to meet next year in Bal-timore, unless otherwise determined later.

Dramatic Mirror-Grant Parish's new book
"A Senator's Crime," is creating a sensation.



BUILDING SPLIT IN HALF

Rent by an Explosion-Three of the Fire But then—Mr. Springer doesn't mind val-ntines. He's still hopeful,

HOWGATE DEFENSE OPENS He May Take the Stand on His Own Behalf To-day.

steamer 2.

CAPT. HENRY SEINNER, Chemical No. 1 GOVERNMENT'S SIDE CLOSED

Ex-Deputy Marshal Doing Told How He Let the Prisoner Slip Through His Fingers-Ex-Chief Drummond Testified to His Share in the Capture of the Defendant-Secretary Morton's Connection Explained

In the trial of Capt, Howgate yesterday the government closed its testimony, and the deense asked an early adjournment for the day in order to prepare its evidence. It may place Capt. Howgate himself on the stand.

Yesterday's witnesses included C. H. Dong, ex-deputy marshal, from whom Howgate escaped April 13, 1883, and ex-Chief of the Secret Service Andrew L. Drummond. who recaptured the fugitive last September. At the opening Mr. L. H. Rogers, of New York, was recalled and said he had known Howgate while hiding in New York under the name of H. W. Williams. Howgate had said one hot day at the post-office, when asked if he was not afraid of arrest, that he was having a hard time and cared not if he were arrested. Howgate was carrying a big bundle of books to save carriage.

YEARS REPORT THE ARREST. Mr. Worthington, who brought out this testimony, called attention to the fact that it

was years after this conversation before the crest was made.

arrest was made.

Ex-Deputy Deing was somewhat excited on the stand. He told how he allowed Howgate to go into the bath-room at the prisoner's residence at Thirteenth and G streets, now the Hotel Belford, and had not been able to find him afterwards. He had dined with Capt. Howarte, notably one Thanksgiving day. He often allowed his prisoner liberties and let him get out of his sight. He did not think Howgate would attempt to escape. Doing was considerably confused about dates, and nothing seemed sufficient to refresh his memory.

fresh his memory.

Capt. Drummond said white-he was shiel
of the Secret Service, 1878 to 1888, and 1891 to
1894, he had sent his men to Dakota, Montana, Massachusetts and New York to search

tana, Massachusetts and New York to search for Howgate.

He heard Howgate was in New York as a second-hand book dealer; or a carpenter, and he had three of his men search all stores of that kind in the metropolis, and to go to buildings being erseted. He could get no trace. He finally located his man as a book dealer, and arrested him at a bookbinder's, near his store. Howgate talked very little to him, but did say he thought New York a good place to hide.

SECRETARY MORTON'S CONNECTION. Judge Wilson asked Capt. Drummond if had not said Howgate n le no statement to him. The detective said he had, but he did not consider this remark's statement. Secretary Morton's connection with the re-capture was mentioned and Judge Wilson said if any testimony concerning the Secre-tary's action was to be taken, Mr. Morton

tary section was to be taken, Mr. Morton himself should appear on the stand.

Miss Josephine Seebach testified that she had, in 1887, rented rooms to Capt. Howeate, under the name Williams, at No. 142 McDougall street, New York.

Clerk Hatch, of the Treasury, recalled for cross-examination, astonished the prosecution by saying he thought the signature. "B.

tion by saying he thought the signature "R. H. Rochester' to the vouchers to be genu-ine when they first came before him and thought so still.

EXPIRED ALMOST INSTANTLY, Chief Engineer Johnson's Wife Died While Waiting forta Street Car.

One of death's swift arrows, found another nark in this city last night. Mrs. Margaret Johnson, wife of Daniel Johnson, chief en gineer of the State, War, and Navy Department building, fell at the corner of Thirtieth and M streets northwest, at 7:20 o'clock last

and a streets northwest, at 7.20 o clock last ovening, and expired almost instantly.

Mrs. Johnson had just left her home, No. 1017 Thirtieth street, in company with Mrs. Roland, a neighbor. They were on their way to the Na ional Theatre and stopped at M street to wait for an eastbound cable train. She gave two or three gasps and sank helpless to the sidewalk. The only words she uttored were in a whistore. ttered were in a whisper:

"Dan, oh, Dan!" With this favorite name of her husband on

With this favorite name of her husband on her lips, the unfortunate woman passed over to the great unknown.

Mrs. Johnson's remains were tenderly car-ried into Brace's drug store and Drs. Birdsall and Appleby summoned. They made an ex-amination and decided that she had died almost instantly, the cause of death being apoplery. The body was removed to the family residence.

MRS. WICKES IS SET FREE. Pullman's Manager Lets the Divorce Case Go by Default.

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.-Mrs. Wickes, wife of Thomas H. Wickes, vice president of the Pullman Palace Car Company, was granted a divorce by default to-day in Judge Tuthill's

Mrs. Wickes charged her husband with

having kicked her, throwing a glass of water at her, striking her in the face, and throwing food at her.

She also claimed that during the last few years her husband had deprived her of the comforts suitable to her condition in life, and that he had refused to converse with her.

Supt. Fl ming at Death's Door. SAVANNAH, Ga., Feb. 13.—Supt. E. G. Fleming, of the Savannah, Florida and Western Railroad, one of the best known railroad men in the South, is in a critical condition from a paralytic stroke this morn-ing. He is not expected to live.

Gen. Cyrus Bussey, who was injured by a runnway sleighing team, and Patrick McGoldrick, who was alleged to have been black-jacked by footpads, were both resting easily at the Emergency Hospital last night.

Gen Bussey Resting Easy.

Buck's Dining-room, 930 Pa. Ave

INTO A CHASM OF FIRE

Fatal Fall of Three Hosemen-Ten Injured and Two Missing.

Fighters Fell into the Cavity and Others Onto the Pavement-Lynn Called for Assistance from Other Cities-A Total Loss of \$100,000-Fire in the Heart of the City.

LYNN, Mass., Feb. 13.-Fire broke out about 8 o'clock to-night in the basement of a three-story wooden building, occupied by W. Henry Hutchinson, hardware, and spread to adjoining property, entailing a total loss of \$100,000. Three men were killed, ten injured, and two are missing, supposed to be buried in the ruins. The dead are:

twenty-eight years old, married. THOMAS MURRAY, Hose No. 5, twenty-two years old, married,

JOHN F. CONLAN, hoseman, aged twenty four years, married. Missing:

Groves Buttace, fireman. - Kimball, a clerk, supposed to have been in the building when the fire broke out. The injured: George Middleton, of steamer 3: William Hunt, of hose 4: William Minton of chemical 1: Charles Corson, engineer of steamer 4; George Center; Nicholas Webber of hose 3; Leo Miller, of hose 4; A. C. Moody of hose 3, and Lorenzo Alley, driver of

IN THE HEART OF THE CITY. The blaze started near the paint room in the Hutchinson Building and promised to do but slight damage for the first half hour, dur-ing which the efforts of the firemen confined it mostly to the basement and first floor of

it mostly to the basement and first floor of the building.

As the conflagration was in the very heart of the most dangerous district in Lynn, a second and third a arm had been rung in as a precaution. When the fire had been burning hall an hour, without warning a terrific explosion occurred, which seemed to split the building from bottom to tep.

The upper stories separated, and the long ladders holding three firemen slipped and fell into the cavity, and the others were hurled to the pavement beneath.

WITH BENEWED ENERGY.

Then the building fell, a mass of ruins, and with fresh energy the flames began to The next building was occupied by Peter

The next building was occupied by Peter Donnelly, a wholesale and retail boot and shoe dealer. This was wholly destroyed and the fury of the flames was unchecked. Assistance was then summoned from Salem and Marblehead.

The flames swept on to the three-and-a half-story wooden building adjoining, occupied by T. J. Reedy and Parsons & Locke. This building was also totally destroyed.

Meanwhile assistance arrived. Tons of water were poured upon the flames, and they were finally checked after having raged for three hours. The total loss is \$100,000.

\$30,000 Loss in Columbus Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 13.-About 6 o'clock this evening fire broke out in the Denie & Ferson block. The upper and rear portions

of the building were gutted, the loss on the building being about \$30,000, fully insured. VALE! ST. VALENTINE.

Love Tales Not Told Nowadays by Pic

tures and Poetic Proxies. Those who have forgotten the fact may be reminded that this is Valentine Day, or to be more historical and respectful, Saint Val- ing the war. Moore, the Chinaman, was sent entine's Day,

This festival will not be observed as a national event in Washington this year. As a matter of fact the custom of sending the pretty or hideous things called valentines is



now more honored in the breach than at the Nevertheless valentines will go and comto-day, telling love tales and unloading places and spites just as they used to do in the days of poor Ophelia, and, for that matter, when Reselus was an actor in Rome, for the custom is much older than the era of St.

Timid boys will ring the door-bell, leave their messages and "out." Little girls will do pretty much the same thing, but your opulent swain will send them by mail, with



Hard on the mails. lots of blue and pink strings tied to them, The receivers will grin and bear it, or blush and bear it, just as the case may be. That is all there is in the story in an age when St. Valentine, in this particular capacity, is literally a back number.

The up-to-date young man who has something interesting to any to an unstandard.

thing interesting to say to an up-to-date girl takes his fate and his valentine in his own hand and demands and gets an up-to-date answer.

This may not be a good thing for the book-sallers may be it often a good thing for the book-sallers may be it often a good thing for the sellers, nor is it often a good thing for the young man, but then this is the nineteenth

century, with the pretty foot of the twentieth century girl already on the threshold. Chicago Herald—Grant Parish has caught the

Plotted to Blind Whole Japanese Armies, Then Blow Them Up.

Wilde Took An Oath Not to Assist China Chinese Port Besieged by the Enemy, Before-Japanese to March on Foo Chow.

LONDON, Feb. 14.-A dispatch from Kobe, Japan, says that according to statements made by Chinese prisoners at Wei-Hai-Wei there are seven foreigners in the fort on the Island of Lui-Kung-Tao, five of them being American, the latter being one of the three men formerly arrested at Kobe on the French

The island is victualled for five months. Coal is plentiful, but ammunition is deficient. The garrison is determined to fight to the

If the American mentioned as being in the fort on Lui-Kung-Tao Island is John Wilde, and if he falls, or has fallen, into the hands of the Japanese it will probably go hard with

Scotchman named Cameron and a Chinaman

-Cham Tam Moore—who was one time interpreter to the Chinese legation at Wash-

DID HE VIOLATE RIS OATH? After being detained for some time, Wilde and Cameron were released after taking oaths not to do anything to assist China dur-

hai says that orders have been given from Pekin to mobilize the large forces in Tsing Chow to relieve Wei-Hai-Wei. Tsing Chow is in the province of Shan Tung, in which Wei-Hai-Wei is also situated, and is about 220 miles west by south of Wei-Hai-Wei.

A Hong Kong dispatch to the Times says it is supposed that the Japanese will threaten

it is supposed that the Japanese will threaten Foo Chow, capital of the province of Fukien, after they have secured Wei-Hai-Wei. The Chinese are preparing for the defense of that

They Were Several Hours in a Big Snow Drift-Two Cows Burned. The alarm of fire at 11:45 o'clock last night from box 621 was turned in by Policeman Eblers for a blaze which destroyed two sheds, two cows and a quantity of hay. The sheds were in the rear of houses No. 1201 and 1263

Twelfth street northeast, owned by Carl

conding the precipitous hill on Twelith street they became stuck in the snowdrift, which is over four feet in depth at that point. It re-quired several hours for the firemen to extra-cate their "machines" from the heaped-up

PRISONER IN GUATEMALA.

An American Held for Political Reasons His Estate Confisented.

Kansas Cirv, Mo., Feb. 13.-A special to the Journal from Fort Scott, Kans., says: "From a letter from San Salvador, received here to-day, it is learned Archie McCarter, a well-known local bridge contractor, is a prisoner at San Salvador, as an extic from Guatemala on account of political and other rea-

The letter states that McCarter's mechanical effects have been confiscated by the government, and is under guard in the prison.

He is prohibited from corresponding with any person outside the republic, according to the letter received here, which was written by a personal friend.

AN INQUISITIVE POSTMISTRESS. She Opened a Letter Addressed to Her

Sweetheart and Had to Pay a Fine. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 13.-In the United States circuit court Miss Nora Welton, as postmistress at Argenta, Macon county, pleaded guilty to opening a letter addressed to her sweetheart, Edgar Six, and was fined \$50 and costs, which she paid, and was released from custody.

Charged with Arming Hawaiian Rebels SAN DIEGO, Cat., Feb. 13 .- The schooner H. C. Holberg, Capt. Martin, on arrival at this port to-day, was selzed by Collector Fisher on a charge of having delivered arms to the revolutionists at the Hawailan Islands,



AND NOW THE JAPS MAY GET HIM

and Was Let Free-Now He Is in a and It May Go Hard with Him-Arrested the residents of Third street east, between

hand.

If any street car line promoter failed to get what he wanted it would seem to be his own fault in not asking.

The Washington and Mariboro Electric Railway was permitted to extend into the District. Railway was permitted to extend into the Dis-trict.

The Eckington and Soldiers' Home, from the intersection of Michigan avenue and North Capitol street, goes east along Michigan ave-nue and Bunaer Hill road to intersection with Fourth street, so as to connect with the line running to Brookiand.

The Metropolitan Company may extend an underground electric road along the roufe heretofore designated in The Trans, but is required to put the underground system at Thirty-fifth and O, and along its track as now located. The number of directors is increased to nine.

WERE THREE IN THE PLOY. When the French steamer Sydney arrivel at Kobe at the beginning of November last,

Mr. Hichardson gave the route granted the District of Columbia Suburban Company as from the District line to and along the Metropolitan tracks to Lodisiana avenue and on that avenue to a terminus to be fixed by the Commissioners. Another branch comes from Trinkfad and parallels the Eckington and Soldiers' Home and the Columbia over a large part of its course.

It is agreed that this line should use the electric underground system, but must not use steam. An amendment by Mr. Hepburn making fines psyable to the government instead of the company was agreed to, and also an addition to section 15, providing that no stock certificate shall be issued till paid for at full face value in money, and that no bond should be issued till all stock has been issued and paid for, was passed.

the Japanese will be apt to punish him sum-Losnov, Feb. 14.-A dispatch from Shang-

majority of directors small be residents of the District.

Mr. Richardson promised in the discussion of the tax of 4 per cent, on gross profits that a bill should scon be presented reducing this tax for all suburban roads to 1½ per cent.

proviso for a 4 per cent, tax on gross carn-Eschinger.

The origin of the fire is unknown. The damage was about \$300, fully covered by insurance.

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term of office was made four years.

Bills were passed slightly amending the charter of the American University, changing the limit of jurisdiction for justices of the peace, and providing for striking juries.

Also the till providing for giving corpses from hospitals, prisons and almahouses to medical schools, and making theft or sale of colours a penitentiany offense.

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Change in the Boston Programme Which Will Prevent Traveling on the Sabbath. BOSTON, Feb. 13.-An important change in the programme for the coming convention to be held in this city July 10 to 15 has been effected in that there will be no Sunday serv-

the Endeavorers from any criticism regarding Sunday travel. Many of the delegates will be quartered in Boston's subarts and would otherwise be compelled to utilize the steam and electric railways for transporta-

This fenture of the convention will relieve

who will occupy the various pulpits in this vicinity on that day.

Darron, Ohio, Feb. 13.—Rev. Father J. N. Reinbolt, former principal of St. Mary's Catholic Institute, died to-day from heart fallure

Lower Taxes for Earthquake Sufferers.

Rome, Feb. 13.—A royal decree has been issued granting to the sufferer by earthquakes in Southern Italy and Sicily the right to demand a reduction in their taxes.

HOANORE, VA., Feb. 18.—Col. Thomas A., Gordon, a native of Eastern Virginia, and a former resident of Richmond, died early this morning at the residence of his son-in-taw, Dr. W. A. Harris, president of Virginia College, Ho was eighty-six years old. He leaves two children, Mrs. Leonidas Poynta and Dr. H. W. Gordon, of Staunton, Va.



The country may now cheerfully look forward to "A BILL for the issuance of steen trillions of flat money with which to redeem and denolish all valentines."

YANKEE SCHEMER'S FATE

the joint resolution appropriating \$5,060 to break the ice in the Potomac and prevent a gorge and overflow was sent to the President

Mr. Hepburn, of Iowa, ally, and Mr. Haines,

steamer Sidney.

she was boarded by Japanese officers, who arrested three of her passengers-Wilde, a

Ington.

They were taken into enstedy on suspicion of being engaged in an enterprise against Japan, and it was subsequently learned that they were engaged in a scheme to destroy the entire Japanese navy.

It appears that Wilde's plan was to throw from a torpedo boat shells filled with chemicals, which, on striking, would explode, creating an impenetrable and suffocating smoke, under cover of which attacks could be made with torpedoes.

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The men were, it was said, to receive from China \$1,000,000 for each Japanese squadron they destroyed and a proportionate sum for every Japanese merchantman they succeeded in blowing up.

East Washington Belt Line Railway Company corporation bills were passed. The Belt Line route has been heretofore outlined, exing the war. Moore, the Chinaman, was sent to Hiroshima. If Wilde has violated his oath the Japanese will be apt to punish him sumas to exclude horse-power, and Mr. Baker so that the road shall be comm

nine months and completed within two years. An amendment, putting in a section that the Eckington line may have another year to ex-change its trolley for the underground system, was agreed to.

In this bill also is a provision for transfers with all roads in the District at one fare, with jurisdiction to the District supreme court to enforce transfers and determine division of

passed.

The Capital Company's charter was affended so that the construction shall be approved by the Commissioners, and the majority of directors shall be residents of the FIRE ENGINES WERE STUCK.

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NO SUNDAY C. E. SESSIONS.

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The great convention opens Wednesday, July 10, and the closing consecration service held Monday, July 15, with no Sunday services whatever intervening. This will afford the local churches a spieudid opportunity of hearing the visiting dergymen of prominence who will compare the rarious naturity in this

DEATHS OF A DAY.

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